

**Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, May 20, 2010
Royal Wilcox Community Center**

Joel Peterson called the Sunrise Township regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Stephen Merten	Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Joel Peterson	Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke
Jeske Noordergraaf	
Manley Olson	
Gerald Bjork	

Others Present: Lynn Wolleat, Lead Maintenance
Commissioner Rick Greene
Ken Anderson
Meshell Gorsegner
Tara Nienaber
Judy Seviola
Steve Seviola
Sherry Stirling
Perry Lindberg
Paul Steward
Warren White

Approve Agenda: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to accept the 2010 April agenda. Adding: New Business: Investing money through Associated Bank. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to accept the April 2010 minutes Motion carried.

Canvass Board Meeting Minutes: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to approve the March 2010 Canvass Board Minutes. Motion carried.

Board of Appeal and Equalization Minutes: Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Board to accept the Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: Receiving thank yous from recipients of donation money.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Manley Olson to accept the treasurer's report with claims list #2943 through 2958 for approval with the recommended transfer.

Transfer from savings to checking:

Treasurer Anderson recommends to transfer:

General Fund \$5,000
Road and Bridge \$0.00
Fire: \$31,000 for a total of
\$36,000 from savings to checking

Motion carried.

Commissioner Rick Greene: Bids for road construction will open on May 26, 2010. Commissioner Greene handed out a brochure with proposed roads projects. State approved \$67M for bridge projects. \$10 million dollar bonding issue will be on the agenda

SnoBarrons Gambling Permit: Starting the process to obtain gambling permit. SnoBarrons would like to have a raffle at the event and raffle snowmobiles from the manufactures. It was stated that 85% goes back to the clubs and the rest is spent on expenses. SnoBarrons event will be held on September 11 and 12th. Motion by Gerald Bjork second by Manley to accept the gambling permit as presented to be forwarded to Chisago County. Motion carried.

Kost Dam Bridge – Paul Steward: Mr. Steward is proposing to complete rehabilitation feasibility study that will need to be approved by the Board that would cost up to \$8,760.00 which would be billed by a hourly basis if the Board chooses to go in a different direction. Mr. Steward has distributed this supplement letter of agreement dated May 20, 2010 to the Board if they so choose to go in this direction.

Mr. Steward also distributed a Memorandum dated May 20, 2010 to the Board as an update of the project status to date. This letter includes Hydraulics information, Opinion of Probably Cost (comparison Box culvert to Contech Arch), Department of Natural Resources comments to include fish migration is a non-issue at this location, The DNR are available for a fee to assist in the relocation of mussels during construction. Fish are the primary method of mussel transportation and redistribution.

Board Member Stephen Merten stated that the township can fix failures that the bridge may have and those failures may stay intact but the rest of the component fails.

There has been a survey of the river to get the slope of the river and dimensional to determine the flow rate of the bridge.

Mussel would be reestablished and deposit them by the old power house and replaced after construction. Paul Steward stated that there is an even large mussel population further down stream

Paul Steward stated that one issue is the velocities – what does it take for the velocities to disturb the stream bed. The only opening that works would be the 48 foot by 10 foot option. The DNR would like to see the bridge replaced.

The bridge funding has \$67 M dollars available. Board Member Gerald Bjork understands that people like the historical value of the bridge, but is in favor of the new structure because the Township keeps pouring money into fix this bridge every 3 or 4 years. MN Dot's standpoint is to get rid of fracture critical bridges.

The opportunity to receive funding now is phenomenal. This opportunity may not come around again. Discussion took place about moving the bridge to a county park..

The township will need to talk with the Chisago County Parks department to talk about land issues.

Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Gerald Bjork to move forward with the DNR suggested 48 foot Contech Arch which would have the least impact on fish migration. One Opposed: Jeske Noordergraaf. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Manley Olson to approve the supplemental agreement presented by Paul Steward of Thatcher Engineering if funds are available to pay for agreement cost of up to \$8,700 along with the repair, rehabilitation of the Kost Dam Bridge instead of replacement of the bridge. Opposed: Gerald Bjork, Joel Peterson and Stephen Merten. Motion fails.

Ken Anderson would like to see what the bridge funds actually cover. Replacement of fix ability or both. Sherry Stirling stated she would like to see the bridge placed in the park and not demolished. Can this be covered under funding. Who pays for the muskellunge population cost. It could cost more to move the bridge if scrap metal is high, because the contractor would give up their scrap money.

Stephen Merten will continue to be the point of contact on the Kost Dam Bridge.

Mailbox Post Supports: Motion by Gerald Bjork, second by Manley Olson to order 26.

Proposed Social Host Ordinance: 21 years or older where they host a party and know there is under age drinking can be prosecuted.

Judge Recommendations: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to accept the judges recommendation. Motion carried.

Investing Money: Treasurer Karen Anderson stated that the Township will need to keep the money in for at least 6 months or there will be a penalty. The AA Lord Abbot has been recommended by Associated Bank. Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Gerald Bjork to place \$200,000 in the AA Lord Abbott now and another \$200,000 in July 2010 in the Lord Abbott so they are due at different times. Motion carried.

Part-time Employee application Decision: Motion by Manley Olson, second by Gerald Bjork to offer Duane O'Flannagan the position upon completion of a clean back-ground and drivers license check and valid CDL license. Beginning rate of pay between \$12.00 to \$14.00 per hour with a 90 day probation period to include a review after 90 days and an increase in pay. Motion carried. .

CITIZEN FORUM - NONE

Sunrise Clean-up: Rake around buildings, pick-up rocks and sticks at Richard widmark, paint at ball field, wash windows.

Fire Extinguishers: 1 in school house, 1 in shop and 1 in the historical building and getting 2 charged.

Maintenance Update: Clerk Kowalke to send letter to Tiller and Knife river informing them there will be no hauling from the pit on township roads in the rain due to road destruction. Graveling will start next week.

Board Maintenance Direction:

Ditch off Ferry Road (culvert): need to fix

Richard Widmark Property: keep as low maintenance as possible. Place on June agenda.

Would like to get water in the shop (got a bid for \$1,200) - Lynn to get 2 more bids before approved.

Place on June 2010 meeting.

Calcium Chloride – place on June 2010 meeting for figures.

Keep Paperwork Up

Continue clean up of Richard Widmark site.

New Direction:

Talk about what kids can do on the clean-up day

Repair Kost Dam Road turn-around.

Purchase picnic tables for park-board determined too late this year-plan to do for next year

Outhouse Venting

Brushing ongoing

Mowing ongoing

Open up the Sunrise Park more (Sunrise Board will have a tour in April 2010)

Repair display at Town Hall

Motion by Stephen Merten, second by Manley Olson to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. Motion carried.

Clerk Wendy Kowalke

Joel Peterson, Chair